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The deepest mine in Victoria, N. S. W., is the Magdola. It is down 2409 feet.

Hon. A. A. Sargent, ex-United States Senator from California, died in San Francisco last Sunday.

Train-robbery, like the new code, is a Texas importation. In the Lone Star state train hold-ups have been reduced to a fine art, but Arizona copies the methods as she does its code.

The glorious rains of the past week continue to make glad the hearts of those individuals who have put their faith and money into cows. Stay with the pot, boys; the heavens are on your side.

Undoubtedly the Territorial Veterinarian and Sanitary Board had good grounds, or at least thought they had, in directing a three months quarantine against the cattle of Mexico, but it will be news to our people to learn that Sonora cattle are diseased.

Equal taxation should be the rule and practice of the country. There is no justice in assessing a Mexican cow at the same figure as a thoroughbred shorthorn. And yet that is what the Territorial Board of Equalization has just done. Heaven protect us from such equalizing methods.

Under a recent ruling of Commissioner Sparks, no party locating desert land can contract or agree to sell or transfer all or any portion of his entry to any party for a consideration to enable him to prove up on said entry. Proof of having accepted such assistance will be regarded as fraud and the land thrown open for contest.

If a document filed in the office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County is not a lie upon its face, Reavis, the Baron of the Colorados, has succeeded in cinching a man named Brown to the tune of $1,280, for a deed to some property which he has no title to. Isn't there something in the new Texas code about obtaining money under false pretenses? We appeal to Brother Hughes, who is well versed in the law.

As will be seen by a letter from A. A. McDonell, vice-president of the Mineral Belt Railroad, published elsewhere in this issue, the completion of the road to Benson is a matter fully determined upon. The importance of this connection to our county cannot be overestimated, as thereby we will secure competing rates both east and west, and will be enabled to build up a great commercial center. No other section of the territory will enjoy the same advantages.

This is the way the Phenix land troubles look an outsider: If the boomers of that thrifty burg propose to resort to mob law in order to resist the full investigation of titles to their land, either in the courts or otherwise, they thereby allow a fair inference that something is "rotten in Denmark," and advertise the fact that their fertile valley is a good place to stay away from, rather than to settle in. This is an unbiased opinion, for which the good people of Maricopa are not charged a cent.

The fertility of the valley lands of Arizona is wonderful, considering the little cultivation given them. During a recent ride through the Salt River valley we found the system adopted by the Indians to be largely in vogue among the whites in the cultivation of the land. In immense fields wild sunflowers and cockleburs were ripening and spreading their seeds broadcast. We were informed that such a thing as cultivating a crop after the seed was planted, was rarely thought of, and yet immense crops were gathered. How an Eastern farmer would open his eyes at such a sight.

Dunbar is giving the Mormons taffy. In closing a labored editorial in the Gazette he says:

God's religion is broader than any creed or set, and any man or set of men, who endeavor by legislation or otherwise to abridge the rights of citizens, will find an opponent worthy of their style in the Gazette.

"Worthy of their style" is good. Perhaps John meant to say he would prove to be a "foeman worthy of their steel," (John is great on quotations) but he evidently had a prejudice against the word for some reason, and substituted "style," which, as we said before, is good.

Much interest has been excited in Mexico in the prospective organization there of a company to undertake the conversion of the maguey, pita and other plants into fiber, and by means of a process of which they have knowledge these plants have been made to yield a fiber of such excellence that a permanent market therefor has been assured in the United States, thus adding an important export to the growing foreign trade of the country. "In fact," says the Mexican Financier, "we regard the new discovery of the treatment of fibrous plants as far more than equivalent to the discovery of rich gold mines. We have just received some pita fiber from Chiapas, beaten out by the natives with rude instruments. Though good, it is not equal to the fiber obtained from the same plant by the process to which we have alluded. The Indians get a hard fiber, which, had it been treated by the process mentioned, would have been mach softer and of a silky character."

It has been intimated that Dick Rule is an aspirant for the position of superintendent of the territorial prison, which rumor says is soon to be made vacant by the resignation or removal of Tommy Gates. Dick would fill the place with becoming grace, and would doubtless make some radical changes in the management of the institution. We should expect to see the convicts adorned with button-hole bouquets for their morning parade, and show other evidences of the esthetic taste of their handsome superintendent. Without any joke, however, we don't know why Dick wouldn't fill the position as creditably as any one else.

WATER STORAGE.

The question of water storage for the purpose of irrigation is being widely agitated throughout Southern California and Arizona, and in many places practical experiments are being made in that direction. The benefits to be derived from large storage reservoirs in proper locations in our own county are incalculable. As an evidence of the great amount of water that falls during the rainy season, the following is noted: One day last week, during a rain storm, the arroya a half mile north of town ran full of water one hundred yards wide and ten feet deep for more than an hour, and it has been raining every day since. Even that amount of water, properly stored would irrigate a large body of land the entire season. There are many places along the San Pedro river where large dams could be built and the surplus water saved, and all the rich lands along the river be thereby brought under cultivation. Here is an opportunity for the profitable investment of capital which rarely presents itself. Here is as fertile soil as can be found under the sun—while the climate is perfection. The only lack is water, and by storing that which goes to waste, that want can be supplied. We should like to see a few dollars of the many millions taken out of poor old Cochise county's bowels spent in developing her surface resources.

Another Spark Ruling.

The Cheyenne Leader of last Saturday says Land Receiver Garrard received the following dispatch the previous day:

On final desert entries within railroad limits where parties paid 25 cents per acre on original entries, collect $2.25 per acre, so that the total payments will be $2.50 per acre.

WM. A. J. SPARKS,
Commissioner.

The Leader thinks the order "the most arbitrary and unjust that has ever emanated from the land office." Many poor men have entered desert land and under the terms prescribed by the government, have paid the first 25 cents per acre. The government has contracted that if they go on, reclaim the land and pay $1 more they shall receive a patent. In place of this Commissioner Sparks makes his order retroactive, and double the price to men thus involved. Such men have no money to fight such an order in the courts. What can they do? For the sake of the good name of his administration, President Cleveland should send Mr. Sparks on a foreign mission. We presume the foregoing order was general all along the lines of the subsidized roads. It is a lasting pity that some educated men were taught to read and write.

Mr. Ridgely Tilden, editor of the Prospector, returned Monday from a two weeks' trip in the charming Huachucas, much improved in health.

A Stockton paper says that when an eastern man arrives in Los Angeles and deposits his wealth in one of the local banks, the bank president claps on his plug hat and frantically hunts up a real estate speculator with the information: "There's a new sucker in town. Got $25,000. Go for him."

Wolcott buys and sells for cash and hence cannot be undersold.

New Store.

Paul Bahn is ofiering to the people of Tombstone and the county in general, some of the best bargains in groceries and liquors ever offered in this county. His stock is new fresh and desirable canned goods, wines, candles, in fact every thing sold in a first class grocery store is being sold by him at Fairbank prices. tf.

For Sale or Exchange.

Three thousand shares of stock of the Huachuca Water Company. Par value. Ten dollars per share. Inquire of

C. T. BRITTON,
tf Minneapolis, Minn.

Whiskey brings more misery upon the human family than war, famine and pestilence combined. There is but one rational course to persue for the inebriate and that is a treatment that destroys the appetite for rum. Such is the Acme. Read their advertisement in an other column. *

Notice.

On and after April 1st, weekly ice tickets will be sold for $1 and upwards. Ice to weekly customers will not be delivered without tickets.

tf. SOUTHWESTERN ICE CO.

TERRITORIAL NEWS.

A banking institution in soon to be inaugurated in Tempe.

Professor W. P. Blake is taking a look at the United Verde mines.

Men are coming from New Mexico to work on the Mineral Belt road at Flagstaff.

Rates of passenger fares in New Mexico have been reduced from 6 to 4 cents per mile.

Maricopa county has increased in assessable property $1,500,000 during the past year.

The building of a court house in Globe is an assured fact. J. Thompson has the contract.

Al Sieber is reported to be improving rapidly and will soon be able to get around on crutches.

Such is fame. Governor Zulick has had a stud horse named after him by an ardent Phenix admirer.

The Miles sword presentation will be September 5th, as the anniversary of the surrender of Geronimo. The 4th comes on Sunday.

Eight parties arrived from San Francisco Thursday, and they have located land in the valley below town aggregating 6,400.—Sentinel.

Society papers are asking, "What shall we wear?" What troubles most of us, this weather is how little polite society will tolerate.—Phenix Gazettee.

The assessable value of Pima county cattle has been raised over $250,000, which will make the entire asssessable properts of Pima over $4,000,000.

Col. J. G. Allbright of the Albuquerque Democrat, has been taking a trip over the Atlantic & Pacific railroad, and is writing some "booming" letters to his paper.

Charlie Vandever has been made railroad agent at Yuma. The many friends of Charlie in this county, where he is well known will be pleased to learn of his settling down in the Territory.

It is reported that a hotel will shortly be constructed at Maricopa, as the junction is now called. This is an imperative necessity, as the present discomforts of that station are as great as ordinary human nature cares to stand.

The name of the man who recently killed Lee Renfro in Apache county is J. V. Brighton, a special officer employed by the stock association of that county. The Holbrook Critic says the killing was unwarranted, and calls on the grand jury to investigate the matter.

Mr. John Gondolfo, of Yuma, an experienced grape grower, states that grape cuttings will produce the second year of planting, but grape slips with roots attached, however small they may be, will bear an average crop the first year. This rapidity of growth and production we do not think can be equalled and certainly not surpassed by any land or clime outside of Arizona.

Those who still persist in believing that the Arizona Mineral Belt Railroad will not be built to Globe may as well forego the delusion. It will not only be built through Globe but to Benson, and connect with the Sonora or Guaymas road. And for the information of doubting Thomases we will say that before snow flies in the fall of '88 they will witness the advent of the track in Globe.—Silver Belt.

Mr. Randall, of the Wabash Cattle Company, came in from the White Mountains last Sunday, where they have purchased some ranches. This company is the largest owner of cattle in this county, and their herd will soon outnumber that of our other cattle owners, from the fact that they purchased she cattle almost exclusively. This is the reason for extending their range.—St. John's Herald.

An irrigating enterprise just being completed will prove an important factor in the future prosperity of Holbrook. A substantial dam has been constructed across the Little Colorado, at a point two and a half miles above Holbrook, from which canals are in processs of construction, which will irrigate a track of fertile bottom lands four miles wide and stretching a distance of ten and a half miles up and down the river.

A few days ago, while excavating adobe for brick out at Mr. Fickas' farm, about two miles west of town, two or three ollas were found, one containing the cremated remains of some ancient inhabitant, while another, which was very smooth outside and in, and quite thin, seemed of an extra finish, was discovered to have on its inner surface a neat white line drawn and baked in, together with some characters in white, which looked like ancient hieroglyphics. It may prove of value, and it is to be hoped the folks now near Tempe exploring may have their attention called to this specimen, as some additional clue may thus be had to the former inhabitants of this country.—Phenix Gazette.

Which is True.

Mr. L. Goldschmidt, of C. Seligman & Co., who has been spending some days in California, is fully convinced that the newspapers of Los Angeles, have been the mainspring of the great boom which has been surging there for some months, and still continues. Mr. Goldschmidt thinks that Arizona newspapers can produce a like result, and in this he is right, but the citizens must stand in and help the newspapers.—Tucson Star.

The celebrated J. H. White butter can be bought only at Wolcott's. This is gilt edge.

DIED.

HOGAN—At Nogales, August 4, 1887, Mrs. Bridget Hogan, aged 33 years, wife of Private James Hogan, of company D, 9th Infantry.

HAMMOND—In Prescott, August 12th, Geo. A Hammond, aged about 50 years.

POMEROY—In Mesa City, Maricopa county, August 9th, Mrs. John Pomeroy, aged 28 years.

HUGHES—In Tombstone, August 16th, Nellie May Hughes, aged 13 years.

ENGLISH—In Tombstone, August 13th, Irene English, aged 5 months.

MARRIED.

RHEINHART-MARS—At the Presbyterian parsonage in Phenix, Arizona, August 15, by the Rev. S. D. Fulton, Casper H. Rheinhart of this county, and Mrs. Nellie Mars of Ogden, Kansas.

RICHARDSON-HUTCHISON—In Prescott, Wednesday evening, August 10, 1887, by Rev. J. C. Houghton, W. T. Richardson and Mrs. Mary R. Hutchison, all of Prescott

BORN.

CLARK—At Granite ranch, Pima county, August 5th, to the wife of J. L. Clark, a boy.

BUTLER—In Phenix, August 7th, to the wife of Ben Butler, a son.

FICKAS—In Phenix, August 12th, to the wife of B. A. Fickas, a boy.

Leave your order for the San Francisco Chronicle at Sol Israel's. Price, One month 65 cents; Six months $4; One year $7. Payable in advance.

Occidental Hotel.

This is the only first-classhotel in Tombstone. It is handsomely furnished with all modern improvements. Travelers who stop at this house will find every comfort and attention. Private rooms for commercial travelers at reasonable rates. A splendid billiard table and a card room. The bar is supplied with pure brands of wines, liquors and cigars tf

A carload of fresh canned goods has been received, also a fresh lot of bran wheat, barley, etc., at Joe Hoffler' Pioneer store. *

There is nothing equal to the Great Acme Remedy to restore your nerves after excessive drinking, and what is still more creditable to the remedy, it will, if used as directed, destroy the appetite for anrum estimulating drinks. *

Indigestion or Constipation.

A few HAMBURG FIGS are all that is necessary for the cure of the severest cases of indigestion or constipation and one taken occasionally will prevent the development of these affections 25 cents. At all druggists. J. J. Mack & Co. proprietor, S. F.

Take it in Time.

Dr. Flint's Heart Remedy should be taken at once when slight exertion or a hearty meal produces shortness of breadth or a pain in the region of the heart. At all druggists or J. J. Mack & Co., 9 and 11 Front st., S. F.

Fresh oysters, caned and shell, are received daily at the Maison Doree, and will be served in the latest styles.

tf Armand Tuquet, Proprietor.

Mineral Surveyor.

U. S. Deputy Mineral Surveyor and City Engineer, surveys, maps and reports on mines a specialty. All work performed at reasonable prices. Land surveys and applications made promptly. Best of references given.

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The finest lines of stationery and fancy goods in town to be found at Joe Brown's.

A full line of Spring and Summer goods have just been received by Harris, the Tailor, and they will be made to suit customers or no pay demanded. Call and examine my stock before ordering elsewhere. HARRIS The Tailor.

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Probably as much misery comes from habitual constipation as from any derangement of the functions of the body, and it is difficult to cure, for the reason that no one likes to take the medicines usually prescribed. HAMBURG FIGS were prepared to obviate this difficulty, and they will be found pleasant to the taste of women and children. 25 cents. At all druggists. J. Mack & Co, proprietors, S. F

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D. R. FLINT'S HEART REMEDY banishes sick headache, and will prevent the return of this most terrible of pains if taken when the warning symptoms give noticeof the recurrence of an attack At Druggists, $1.50. Descriptive treatise with each bottle; or address J. J. Mack &Co., San Francisco.

We are now prepared to draw drafts direct, issue letters of credit, and transfer money by mail, and cable, on all points of Europe Asia, Africa and Australia.

R. W. WOOD,
Cashier
Bank of Tombstone

F. & A. M.

King Sololomon Lodge No. 5, F. & A. M., holds stated meetings on the third Saturday night in each month in Masonic hall at 7:30 p. m. Special meetings held whenever blue flag is hoisted. Visiting brothers are cordially invited to attend. DAVID COHN,
W. M.
H. B. MAXSON, Secretary.

Sudden Death.

Dr. Flint's Heart Remedy will prolong life by preventing those sudden deaths from heart disease which bring untold grief to families, often plunging them into poverty, because of the untimely disease of the bread-winner. At druggists, $1.50. Descriptive treatise with each bottle, or address J. J. Mack & Co. San Francisco.

$250 Reward

The above reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons unlawfully handling any of my stock. Brand H G on left hip.

H. W. HASSELGREN.
Charleston, A.T. je12-1y

Notice of Forfeiture.

To George Burns, co-owner in the Snow Flake and Twilight mines, situated in the Warren Mining district, Cochise county, Territoryof Arizona. You are hereby notified that I have expended one hundred ($100) dollars in labor and improvements upon the above named mining claim during each of the years 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885, 1886, in order to hold the same as valid location, as required by Section 2324 Revised Statutes of the United States. Therefore if within ninety (90) days after and from this publication you or your heirs or assigns fail or refuse to contribute your proper portion of said expenditures and the cost of this publication, as co-owners, your interest in said mine will become the property of the undersigned under said section 2324. THOMAS HIGGINS,
Dated Bisbee, May 25, 1887.

Treasurer's Notice.

I will redeen warrants drawn on the County General Fund from 3106 up to and including 3160; and also warrants drawn on the County Contingent Fund from 225 up to and including 231, if presented within 10 days.

A. J. RITTER,
County Treasurer,
Cochise Co, A. T.

Tombstone August 16, 1887.

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Edward Swift, deceased:

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, administrator of the said estate, to the creditors of, and all persons having claims against the said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers, within four months after the first publication of this notice, to the said Administrator at the office of Charles G. Johnson, Attorney at Law, Tombstone Arizona.

J. A. KOSKA.
Public Administrator, County of Cochise.
Tombstone Aug. 20, 1887.